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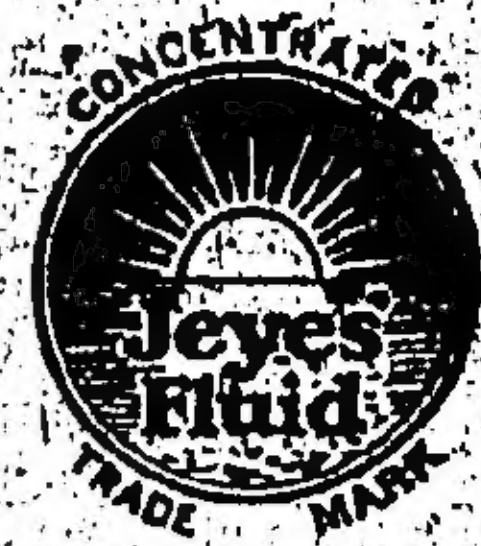
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RUHR RUM.

GERMANS DODGE CUSTOMS CORDON.

DUSSELDORF, February 18.

The French have discovered an ingenious German method of evading the customs cordon by despatching coal ostensibly consigned to Holland, unloading it over the frontier and sending it back to Germany. The French countering yesterday, held up 120 trucks of iron and steel.

The French also seized 250,000,000 marks intended for use as strike pay at Treves. They also took possession of 110,000,000 marks from the municipal treasury at Gelsenkirchen in consequence of the town's refusal to pay a fine of 100,000,000.

TROOP TRAIN WRECKED.

DUSSELDORF, February 18.

A train conveying men belonging to the French engineer corps from Dalsheim to Weimar was run into from behind by a string of five locomotives coupled together. Two soldiers were killed and three seriously injured and eight slightly hurt. The cause of the accident is not yet known.

BUKAR TIN INDUSTRY.

GOVERNMENT AID CEASES.

RANGOON, February 18.

It is announced that the Government scheme to aid the tin industry which came into force in February 1921 terminated as from February 15 in consequence of a rise in the price of tin.

THRILLS IN VIENNA.

SHOTS FROM TRAMCAR.

VIENNA, February 18.

The political excitement leads to more or less serious affairs almost daily. One person was killed and two wounded yesterday evening by shots fired from a tramcar in which an altercation was proceeding following a Monarchist meeting.

IRISH AMNESTY.

MANY REBELS SURRENDER.

LONDON, February 18.

Heretofore the Provisional Government has been very silent regarding the number who have surrendered. It is unofficially stated that they are many and include at least three prominent rebels. An Army communique announces that it has extended the amnesty to February 20 in the case of the two columns commanded by Pierce in North Kerry. Pierce offered to surrender arms and men but is unable to assemble all the men before Tuesday.

LUNATICS BURNED TO DEATH.

NEW YORK, February 18.

Twenty-two violent lunatics and three nurses were burned to death in a fire in the Manhattan State insane asylum.

CANTON SITUATION.

FIGHTING AT SHIUHUNG.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON Feb. 18.

Delegates from the Charitable Institutions and the Labour Union have gone to Hongkong to welcome General Li Shun-chi to Canton. He is expected to arrive on Thursday to meet Dr. Sun on his arrival, bearing a letter from the General who professes to ally and urge him to come to Canton.

The fighting in the neighbourhood of Shiuhung has been intense. It commenced through two brigades of Kwangtung Infantry, which had previously been absorbed by the Kwangtung Army, diverting from instructions and attacking their rank Surprises and the success and Shiuhung was entered. A body from the Kwangtung Army to have been opened by attacking the other flank but did not arrive. As the Kwangtung Army is numerically

ly, their counter-attack dislodged the Cantonese and they are again in occupation. It is reported that looting has taken place. Fighting on the banks of the West River has practically severed communications and a voyage by ship is attended with great risks.

Advice has been received from Swatow to the effect that General Hsu Shung-chi has at last reached General Li Shun-chi and the two are moving their troops off Canton to regain control of the situation.

Another report has also been circulated that the remnants of Chen Ching-ming's army have re-organized and project an attack on the capital but to date no movement has been reported.

LOCAL WEDDING.

MALTY-STEVENS.

A pretty wedding took place at the Peak Church on Saturday, when Mr. O. Fort Maltby, of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, was married to Miss Doris K. Stevens, sister of Mr. C. Bernard Brown, of Hongkong. There were many friends of the parties present.

The Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald, Minister of the Union Church officiated. The bride, who was given away by her brother-in-law, wore a pretty dress of white georgette over satin. She was attended by Miss Phyllis Brown as bridesmaid. Miss Brown wore a dress of crimson georgette trimmed with gold beads, and a black picture hat. The duties of best man were discharged by Mr. J. M. Walker. After the ceremony a reception was given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Brown, No. 23, The Peak. The honeymoon is to be spent at Hualien, Manila, where the happy couple will be present for the carnival. The bride's going away dress was of black and white georgette trimmed with beads, and a hat of rosy-brown velvet with a large bow.

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on TUESDAY, March 6th at 9.30.Tickets \$4.00 obtainable at The
Hongkong Hotel, Cafe Wiseman and
The Anderson Music Co.
\$1.00 fine for non-fancy dress.**HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL
SOCIETY.****THE ANNUAL SHOW OF Flowers
and Vegetables will be held on
THE CRICKET GROUND**on
THURSDAY, 22nd February, 19233 p.m. to 10 p.m.
ADMISSION \$1(Children and Men of His Majesty's
Services in uniform half price)Lady Fowler will present the prizes
at 5.30 p.m.Military Band will play during the
afternoon and Tea will be obtainable
at 50 cents.

Hongkong, January 13, 1923.

**SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE,
HONGKONG.****THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEET-
ING of the Society will be held
in the City Hall on MONDAY, 26th
February, 1923, at 5.15 p.m.**

For the following purposes:—

- To receive the Report of the
Committee and statement of
Accounts for the past year.
- To elect the Officers and Com-
mittee for the ensuing year.
- To consider the manner in
which St. George's Day shall
be celebrated.
- To transact any other business
of which due notice has been
given.

All Members are requested to
attend.G. H. PIERCE,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, February 15, 1923.

**THE HOUSING
QUESTION.****A PUBLIC MEETING**
will be held at THE CITY HALL,
on
FRIDAY, 23rd February, 5.30 p.m.When important resolutions on The
Housing Question, will be brought
forward for submission to the
Government.Chairman—Mr. C. G. ALABASTER,
K.C., O.B.E.After the above Meeting the
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
of the**CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM
ASSOCIATION**

will be held.

(Signed) R. STOKES,
(Hon. Sec. C.R.A.)

Hongkong, February 14, 1923.

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INTIMATIONS**THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF
& GODOWN CO., LTD.****NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS****THE THIRTY-SIX ORDINARY AN-
NUAL MEETING OF SHARE-
HOLDERS** will be held at the Office of
Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on
TUESDAY, February 20th, 1923, at NOON
for the purpose of receiving the Report of
the Directors and the Statement of Accounts
for the year ended December 31st, 1922.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED on Thursday, February
22nd, 1923, to Tuesday, February 26th, 1923,
BOTH DAYS INCLUSIVE.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

W. S. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, February 2, 1923.

**GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO.,
LIMITED.****THE THIRTY-FOUR ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE SHAREHOLDERS** of the Company
will be held at the Office of the Company,
St. George's Buildings, Chater Road, Victoria,
Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 23rd day of February,
1923, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the
purpose of receiving a Statement of
Accounts and Report of the Directors
for the year ending 31st December,
1922, and declaring a dividend.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be closed from Wednes-
day the 14th February, 1923, until
Friday the 23rd February, 1923, both
days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, February 9, 1923.

**HONGKONG & SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.****NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the
ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING of the Shareholders in this
Corporation will be held at City Hall,
Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 24th
February, 1923, at 11 a.m.

For the following purposes:—

- To receive the Report of the
Court of Directors, together with a
statement of accounts for the year
ending 31st December, 1922.
- The REGISTER OF SHARES of the
Corporation will be closed from Monday
12th February to Saturday 24th
February, 1923 (both days inclusive)
during which period no transfer of
shares can be registered.

By order of the Court of Directors,
A. G. STEPHEN,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 5, 1923.

**THE HONGKONG ROPE MANU-
FACTURING COMPANY, LTD.****THE THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING OF
SHAREHOLDERS** in the above COM-
PANY will be held at St. George's
Building, Chater Road, Victoria, on
TUESDAY, the 27th February 1923,
at 11 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of
receiving a statement of accounts and
the report of the General Managers for
the year ending 31st December, 1922,
and electing a Consulting Committee
and Auditors.The Transfer Books of the Company
will be closed from SATURDAY the
17th February, 1923, until TUESDAY,
27th February, 1923, both days in-
clusive.SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, February 8, 1923.

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0443, from Wanchow.

Auyang, (2) from Hankow.

Langkah, from Shanghai.

Kuhing Kwong, from Shanghai.

N. LUND,
Act. Superintendent.

Hongkong, February 15, 1923.

**EASTERN EXTENSION AUSTRAL-
ASIA & CHINA TELEGRAPH CO.**List of unclaimed telegrams lying in
E.E. Telegraph Office, Hongkong.

Kanginko, from Saigon.

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M. E. F. AIREY,
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Hongkong, February 15, 1923.

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CHURCH NOTES.**THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT.**The Epistle is full of paradoxes: "as
sorrowful yet rejoicing, as poor yet
making many rich as having nothing
and yet possessing all things." It is
not only in the Christian life that men
are willing to sell all their pearls that
may gain the Pearl of Great Price
—wherever there is a keen desire
to possess something we find the
practices of asceticism, for the sake of
Art the artist will deny himself things
that to others seem indispensable;
for the sake of gold the miser often
gives up the necessities of life, so for
the possession of spiritual joys the
Christian willingly practices a
religious asceticism.The Church would not appoint
these forty days of Lent if she did not
consider fasting a discipline of the
body necessary to holiness, necessary
before the grace of God can work
actively through us, who as St. Paul
says are "fellow workers with Christ."
Our hands were meant to serve God,
our lips were meant to praise Him,
but our bodies have become like ser-
vants who try to rule their masters
and they must be taught their proper
places. Not only for ourselves but
for the sake of others, we must prac-
tise abstinence, the blame which we
deserve for living unholy lives often
falls on others and St. Paul urges us to
remember this responsibility when he
says "giving no offence in anything
that the ministry be not blamed." Often
one hears it said "The Church is
a dead thing nowadays—religion is
played out." How far are we Chris-
tians responsible for such statements
as these?From our Lord's own lips came the
account of his temptation in the wil-
derness. No other man saw Him
treat His antagonist. The battle was
fought on the spiritual plane, but to
help our understanding St. Matthew
tells the story pictorially. We pray
"lead us not into temptation," but
sometimes God permits it as a trial
of our strength and Christ met
and resisted Satan by means
accessible to us and not by using
supernatural power—our wounded
hearts turn to a suffering Saviour, in
our temptations we cling to a tempt-
ed Christ. After a fast of forty days,
when His strength was weakest, came
Satan saying "Command that these
stones be made bread." Will Jesus
satisfy His own human needs, or will
He be obedient to the will of God,
the ruling principle of His ministry
on earth? He desires the temptation
of appetite and then comes the second
one, to cast Himself down from the
temple, a presuming on the tenderness
of God. Lastly comes one coveringthe whole field of our Lord's purpose
in His incarnation. He was born to
do God's will, to win the kingdom of
the world for God's glory and Satan
offers Him these, if He will fall down
and worship him. He can win the
kingdoms by unholy means and with-
out the Cross. Then when the battle
was ended, after the victory, came
refreshment, "angels came and
ministered unto Him."

February 24 is St. Mathias' day.

He was chosen to take the place of
Judas Iscariot—probably he was one
of the seventy who attended Christ
the whole time of His public ministry,
so he would be capable of bearing
witness to His life, death and resurrec-
tion. The first period of his ministry
was spent in Judea, where he con-
verted many to Christianity. Then
he travelled to Cappadocia, where he
was treated with great reverence and
inhumanity but persevering won many
to the faith, at last suffering martyr-
dom on a cross A.D. 64."Nation shall no longer lift up
sword against nation neither shall they
learn war any more." These words
from Isaiah are inscribed on the base
of a wonderfully beautiful process-
ional Cross presented to Westminster
Abbey by an American citizen.The principal materials used in the
making of the cross and the staff on
which it is mounted, are the precious
metals and ivory, enriched further
with sapphires and enamel.The donor Mr. Wansmaker said that
he trusted the cross would ever prove
an emblem of that friendship
between English-speaking races
which he had so much at heart. It
was dedicated on Christmas Eve and
the Abbey was packed from end to
end.The main features of the cross pro-
prietor are a series of beaten gold figure
panels as follows: on the obverse, in
the centre, the Crucifixion, and, at the
extremities of the four arms, panels
representing the Annunciation, Birth
of our Lord, the Resurrection and
the Ascension, while the smaller panels
in between are filled with angel figures
carrying the emblems of the Passion,
and four other panels the emblems of
the four Evangelists. On the reverse,
in the centre, Christ in glory; at the
extremities of the arms the twelve
Apostles in groups of three with their
emblems, and in the smaller panels in
between the four archangels and the
heavenly choir.**Beware of Colds.**Children are much more likely to con-
tract the contagious diseases when they
have colds. Whooping cough, diphthe-
ria, scarlet fever and consumption are
diseases that are often contracted when
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Auctioneers and Brokers.**PUBLIC AUCTIONS****INTIMATIONS****SOCIETY FOR PREVENTION OF
CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.****A FANCY DRESS BALL**
in aid of the above Society
will be held in the CITY HALL,
on TUESDAY, March 6th at 9.30.Tickets \$4.00 obtainable at The
Hongkong Hotel, Cafe Wiseman and
The Anderson Music Co.
\$1.00 fine for non-fancy dress.**HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL
SOCIETY.****THE ANNUAL SHOW of Flowers
and Vegetables will be held on
THE CRICKET GROUND**on
THURSDAY, 22nd February, 1923
3 p.m. to 10 p.m.ADMISSION \$1
(Children and Men of His Majesty's
Services in uniform half price)
Lady Fowler will present the prizes
at 5.30 p.m.Military Band will play during the
afternoon and Tea will be obtainable
at 50 cents.

Hongkong, January 13, 1923.

**SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE,
HONGKONG.****THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEET-
ING of the Society will be held
in the City Hall on MONDAY, 26th
February 1923, at 5.15 p.m.**

For the following purposes—

(a) To receive the Report of the
Committee and statement of
Accounts for the past year.(b) To elect the Officers and Com-
mittee for the ensuing year.(c) To consider the manner in
which St. George's Day shall
be celebrated.(d) To transact any other business
of which due notice has been
given.All Members are requested to
attend.G. H. PIERCY,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, February 15, 1923.

**THE HOUSING
QUESTION.****A PUBLIC MEETING**
will be held at THE CITY HALL,
on

FRIDAY, 23rd February, 5.30 p.m.

When important resolutions on The
Housing Question will be brought
forward for submission to the
Government.Chairman—Mr. C. G. ALABASTER,
K.C., O.B.E.After the above Meeting the
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
of the
CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM
ASSOCIATION
will be held.(Signed) R. STOCK,
(Hon. Sec. C.R.A.)

Hongkong, February 14, 1923.

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INTIMATIONS.THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF
& GODOWN CO., LTD.**NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.****THE THIRTY-SIX ORDINARY AN-
NUAL MEETING OF SHARE-
HOLDERS** will be held at the Office of
Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on
TUESDAY, February 20th, 1923, at NOON,
for the purpose of receiving the Report of
the Directors and the Statement of Accounts
for the year ended December 31st, 1922.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED on Thursday, February
8th, 1923 to Tuesday, February 20th, 1923,
BOTH DAYS INCLUSIVE.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

W. S. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, February 5, 1923.

**GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO.,
LIMITED.****THE THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS** in the
Company will be held at the Office of the
Company, St. George's Buildings, Chater
Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on
FRIDAY, the 23rd day of February,
1923, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for
the purpose of receiving a Statement of
Account and Report of the Directors
for the year ending 31st December,
1922, and declaring a dividend.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be closed on Wednesday
the 14th February, 1923; until
Friday the 23rd February, 1923; both
days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, February 9, 1923.

**HONGKONG & SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.****NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the
ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING of the shareholders in this
Corporation will be held at City Hall,
Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 24th
February 1923, at Noon, for the pur-
pose of receiving the Report of the
Court of Directors together with a
statement of accounts for the year
ending 31st December, 1922.The REGISTER OF SHARES of the
Corporation will be closed from Monday
12th February to Saturday 24th
February 1923 (both days inclusive)
during which period no transfer of
shares can be registered.

By order of The Court of Directors,

A. G. STEPHEN,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 5, 1923.

**THE HONGKONG ROPE MANU-
FACTURING COMPANY, LTD.****THE THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS** in the above COM-
PANY will be held at St. George's
Building, Chater Road, Victoria, on
TUESDAY, the 27th February 1923,
at 11 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of
receiving a statement of accounts and
the report of the General Managers for
the year ending 31st December, 1922,
and electing a Consulting Committee
and Auditors.The Transfer Books of the Company
will be closed from SATURDAY the
17th February, 1923, until TUESDAY,
27th February, 1923, both days in-
clusive.SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, February 8, 1923.

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Hongkong.

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Boonchuengshan, from Tientsin.

0448, from Wanchai.

Auyang, (2) from Hankow.

Leupkeho, from Shanghai.

Kuhing Kwang, from Shanghai.

N. LUND,
Act. Superintendent.

Hongkong, February 15, 1923.

**EASTERN EXTENSION AUSTRA-
LIA & QUEENSLAND TELEGRAPH CO.**List of unclaimed telegrams lying in
E. E. Telegraph Office, Hongkong.

Kauaginko, from Haigou.

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M. E. F. AIREY,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, February 15, 1923.

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perienced after taking Chamberlain's
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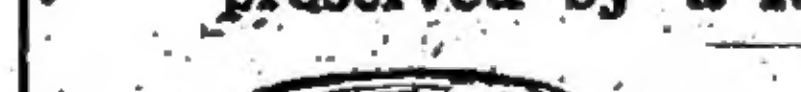
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sorrowful yet rejoicing, as poor yet
making many rich as having nothing
and yet possessing all things." It is
not only in the Christian life that men
are willing to sell all their pearls that
may gain the Pearl of Great Price—
wherever there is a keen desire
to possess something—we find—the
practice of asceticism, for the sake of
Art the artist will deny himself things
that to others seem indispensable;
for the sake of gold the miser often
gives up the necessities of life, so for
the possession of spiritual joys the
Christian will deny himself "practices," a
religious asceticism.The Church would not appoint
these forty days of Lent if she did not
consider fasting a discipline of the
body necessary to holiness, necessary
before the grace of God can work
actively through us, who as St. Paul
says are "fellow workers with Christ."
Our hands were meant to serve God,
our lips were meant to praise Him,
our hearts were meant to love Him,
but our bodies have become like ser-
vants who try to rule their masters
and they must be taught their proper
places. Not only for ourselves but
for the sake of others, we must prac-
tise abstinence, the blame which we
deserve for living unholy lives often
falls on others and St. Paul urges us to
remember this responsibility when he
says "giving no offence in anything
that the ministry be not blamed." Of-
ten one hears it said "The Church is
a dead thing nowadays—religion is
played out." How far are we Chris-
tians responsible for such statements
as these!From our Lord's own lips came the
account of his temptation in the wil-
derness. No other man saw Him
treat His antagonist. The battle was
fought on the spiritual plane, but to
help our understanding St. Matthew
tells the story pictorially. We pray
"lead us not into temptation," but
sometimes God permits it as a trial
of our strength and Christ met
and resisted Satan by means
accessible to us and not by using
supernatural power—our wounded
hearts turn to a suffering Saviour, in
our temptations we cling to a tempt-
ed Christ. After a fast of forty days,
when His strength was weakest, came
Satan saying "Command that these
stones be made bread." Will Jesus
satisfy His own human needs, or will
He be obedient to the will of God,
the ruling principal of His ministry
on earth? He denies the temptation
of appetite and then comes the second
one, to cast Himself down from the
temple, a presuming on the tenderness
of God. Lastly comes one coveringthe whole field of our Lord's purpose
in His Incarnation. He was born to
do God's will, to win the kingdoms of
the world for God's glory and Satan
offers Him these, if He will fall down
and worship him. He can win the
kingdoms by an holy means and with-
out the Cross. When when the battle
was ended, after the victory, came
refreshment. "Angels came and
ministered unto Him."February 24, is St. Mathias' day.
He was chosen to take the place of
Judas Iscariot—probably he was one
of the seventy who attended Christ
the whole time of His public ministry,
so he would be capable of bearing
witness to His life, death and resurrec-
tion. The first period of his ministry
was spent in Judea, where he con-
verted many to Christianity. Then
he travelled to Cappadocia, where he
was treated with great reverence and
in humanity but persevering won many
to the faith, at last suffering martyr-
dom on a cross A.D. 64."Nation shall no longer lift up
sword against nation neither shall they
learn war any more." These words
from Isaiah are inscribed on the base
of a wonderfully beautiful process-
ional Cross presented to Westminster
Abbey by an American citizen.
The principal materials used in the
making of the cross and the staff on
which it is mounted, are the precious
metals and ivory, enriched further
with sapphires and enamel.The donor Mr. Wanamaker said that
he trusted the cross would ever prove
an emblem of that friendship
between English-speaking races
which he had so much at heart. It
was dedicated on Christmas Eve and
the Abbey was packed from end to
end.The main features of the cross pro-
per are a series of beaten gold figure
panels as follows: on the obverse, in
the centre, the Crucifixion, and, at the
extremities of the four arms, panels
representing the Annunciation, Birth
of our Lord, the Resurrection and
the Ascension, while the smaller panels
in between are filled with angel figures
carrying the emblems of the Passion,
and four other panels the emblems of
the four evangelists. On the reverse,
in the centre, Christ in glory; at the
extremities of the arms the twelve
Apostles in groups of three with their
emblems, and in the smaller panels in
between the four archangels and the
heavenly choir.**Beware of Colds.**Children are much more likely to con-
tract the contagious diseases when they
have colds. Whooping cough, diphtheria,
scarlet fever and consumption are
diseases that are often contracted when
the child has a cold. That is why all
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For the quick cure of colds you will find
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HEIMENDINGER—On February 13, 1923, at their home, 91 Rue Mesopotamie, Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. Marcel Heimendinger, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

MALBY-STEVENS—On the 17th February at the Peak Church, Hongkong, Cyril Fort Malby, son of the late Lt. Col. F. O. Malby, and of Mrs. Malby, Kew, London, to Doris Kathleen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Stevens of Crouch End, London.

DEATH.

PRICE—On February 13, 1923, at the General Hospital, Shanghai, Walter John Price, second officer, s.s. "Yingchow," C. N. Co., aged 26 years.

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE"

HONGKONG, MONDAY, FEB. 19, 1923.

MUI TSAY.

After what the unofficial members have said, the *China Mail*, like the Governor, finds little left to say about the new *mui tsai* law. Like the Governor, again, this paper associates itself entirely with the unofficial members in denouncing the malis' one libel which have been used to defame the Colony's fair name. From the very first the *China Mail* took the stand that the agitation for the abolition of the system was largely interested, and, being interested, was frequently unscrupulous. Once the question was raised the issue soon became not so much the welfare of the *mui tsai* as the personal credit of the chief protagonists. The Government's initial blunder in adopting arbitrary measures to silence criticism had the obvious effect; it made bitter enemies henceforth determined never to rest until their personal grievances had either been redressed or ravaged. That they have succeeded in having the Government's

knuckles rapped is not surprising. The *mui tsai* system admittedly lent itself to grave abuse, and by recounting these abuses they were able to imply that the system was wholly bad. (Though they might with equal justice have agitated against the family system because Home statistics show that it is also liable to grave abuse, very grave abuse indeed). Moreover, the system, "to the unsuitable Western mind, was very difficult to distinguish from slavery"—the Governor's words—and they were able to exploit the word "slaves" with telling effect among an illiterate population lacking sympathy for an alien civilisation and ready (as the Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen noted) to assume that Englishmen who come East of Suez leave behind all they ever learned of humanity and civility. Having won over several members of Parliament, the tireless agitators were able to pester the Commons with the eternal Hongkong child slaves question every time Ireland, Silesia, reparations or some other exasperating problem had been shelved, until finally the harassed Secretary of State for the Colonies, in Mr. Stephen's words, "decided that the balance of the advantage was to get the Hongkong Government to pass a bill which would shut the mouths of these stupid bores in Parliament." Once the Home flat against the *mui tsai* system had been issued the rest was simple. The unofficial majority here had no option but to see that the bill became law. Any further controversy was therefore useless. The Attorney General's speech in the Legislative Council made that clear. However, his statement had little effect, and the argument about it, and about following the first reading of the bill, has almost buried the chief lesson the *mui tsai* edit has to tell—local agitation against the Government will ultimately succeed if the agitators have sufficient energy and persistence.

One of the tales who was present in the gallery on the occasion of the Colonial St. Andrew's dinner, was asked to say she had never seen such a horrible sight. "Four hundred and 40 of the boys feeding at once."

EUROPEAN RESERVATION.

OPPOSITION BY CHINESE.

Mr. Li Po-kwai, Chairman presided at a New Year party at the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce on Saturday afternoon, delivering a felicitous speech and wishing the gathering a prosperous year.

The Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-sun, the Hon. Mr. Ng Hon-tze and several others declined invitations to make speeches, whereupon Mr. Ho Kwong gave an address. After expressing a hope that China would soon become re-united and aspericious troops disbanded, he referred to the forthcoming meeting at the City Hall under the auspices of the Constitutional Reform Association. Mr. Ho pointed out that extension of European "reservations" would mean larger areas forbidden to Chinese domicile. He suggested that the C.R.A. be opposed and that circulars be distributed asking for support.

Messrs. M. K. Lo, Ho Kwong, B. H. Kotewall and T. N. Chan were appointed representatives to the meeting, when the first two will speak against the motion. The district commercial guilds would be circumscribed for support.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Race books are now ready.

The new motor road to the Peak is to be known as Stubbs Road.

The next Criminal sessions will be held on February 21, at 10 a.m.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Cavalier left for Home on leave, by the City of York.

Mr. Thomas Brameld and Mr. Frederick James Easterbrook are now authorised architects.

H. E. the Governor is to present the prizes won by the scholars of St. Joseph's College on February 21 at 5 p.m.

On Saturday, the Confucian Society and a number of district commercial guilds held New Year parties at which mutual congratulations were exchanged.

Only two cases of infectious disease (diphtheria and cerebro-spinal fever) were notified during the recent holidays. In both instances the patients were Chinese.

The engagement is announced of Courtney, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. L. Way, Tientsin, and Captain Gordon E. Hansen, 2/55th Cokes Rifles R.F.

A report from Vladivostok states that steamship communication between Vladivostok and all ports of China will be established now. The Russian Volunteer Fleet has seven ships in service.

Dr. Sun Yat-sen will give an address in the Great Hall of the University on Tuesday 20th inst. at 11 a.m. under the auspices of the Hongkong University Union. Members kindly take note.—Add.

Several informative articles which medical men ought to find decidedly interesting are contained in the January number of *The Caduceus*, the journal of the Hongkong University Medical Society, which has just been issued.

Mr. T. Shimidzu, Chancellor of the Japanese Consulate-General, New York, has been appointed to succeed Mr. S. Tanaka, Vice-Consul and Assessor, in the Shanghai Consulate-General. Mr. Tanaka will leave for his new post in Changsha next month.

Mr. A. H. Gordon, late manager of the British Electrical and Engineering Co. of China, Ltd., returned to Shanghai by the "Empress of Australia" to take up the post of manager and engineer-in-chief for Messrs. Callender's Cable and Construction Co., Ltd., who will open offices in Shanghai shortly.

Alleging that a bottle of shampoo which she purchased from the American Drug Company caused her hair to turn grey, Mrs. Kitty Ben, through her attorney, Mr. F. J. Schuhl, brought suit against the drug firm in the United States Court for China before Judge Charles Sumner Tobin for the 20,000 damages.

Among the passengers who arrived on board the s.s. "President Jefferson" was Mr. Nelson E. Johnson, the new American Consul-General at Large. Mr. Johnson has been placed in charge of all the American consulates in the Eastern Division, which stretches from Yokohama to Singapore, and a part of his duties require him to visit all the consulates within that area.

Before taking up the post, Mr. Johnson was on the staff of the Bureau of Far Eastern Affairs at Washington, but before then he spent fifteen years of his life in China, where he is quite well known.

MORE TOURISTS COMING.

THE "RESOLUTE'S" VISIT.

The s.s. "Resolute" is due here on the first of next month with 460 passengers who are undertaking Messrs. Raymond and Whitcomb's 1923 Round-the-World Cruise. Arrangements have been made for a three days' stay in Hongkong during which time the tourists will visit the Peak and Repulse Bay, Canton and Macao. The steamer will leave for Manila on March 3 at 8 p.m.

The ship's agents in Hongkong for the "Resolute" are the Pacific Mail S. S. Coy. Ltd. and Messrs. William Farmer and Co., of Canton, have the handling of all arrangements for sightseeing programmes, transport and catering.

"FATSHAN" PIRACY PLOT.

INVESTIGATIONS AT CANTON.

Defective Inspector Willis has returned to Hongkong from his trip to Canton to investigate the "Fatshan" piracy plot. No trace of the alleged gang could be found, but the informant's statement regarding the man he had run away from, was confirmed. This man continually changed his abode and in spite of several visits to various boarding-houses, the Inspector failed to run him down.

The non-success is partly attributable to the chaos in Canton, there being no responsible head with whom to co-operate. It is reported that investigations will continue when conditions are normal.

After enquiries by the police, the man who jumped overboard from the "Fatshan" and was picked up by the "Moonen" has been handed over to relatives in Hongkong.

Accompanying Inspector Willis was the youth who volunteered the information and ultimately begged for protection. He is now staying in the Chinese detectives' quarters.

"MENTAL AND MORAL DEGENERATE."

SHIP'S OFFICER JAILED.

Reginald Radcliffe, stated to have been a ship's officer was brought on remand before Mr. R. R. Lindell this morning charged with the larceny of a brown coat and \$100 from the cabin of Mr. Allen, an officer on the "Hainan." The coat and \$69 odd were recovered.

At a previous hearing, his Worship had recorded a conviction but remanded the defendant for medical observation in Victoria Jail.

The Magistrate said: "I have obtained some particulars as to your mental condition from the Jail and from what I am told, it becomes perfectly clear to me that you are a mental and moral degenerate. But you were not necessarily irresponsible when you committed this theft. I think you were at the time responsible when you stole the money. You have already been detained for ten days or so and I sentence you to a further ten days with hard labour."

"THE CHOCOLATE SOLDIER."

A FINE PERFORMANCE.

Paradoxical and paradoxical might well describe "The Chocolate Soldier." The latter it is for apologies are tendered to Mr. Bernard Shaw for an unauthorised parody of his "Arms and the Man," and in the more or less high art of Parody, the adapters have achieved a large measure of success whilst the composer has written music that has its own peculiar attraction and is in direct contrast to the more lightome melodies of our own English Sullivan.

The fun is highly diverting and many truths are wrapped up in what seems to be a matter of wit. A few years ago it would have been very daring to suggest that a hero was only a hero because of his uniform, yet on Saturday this was just what was revealed with laughter, a subtle testimony to its implied accuracy.

The Company was in splendid trim and gave what was undoubtedly an all round, balanced performance. Mr. Charles Workman simply revelled in his part of a Serbian Lieutenant and sang, in addition, with great effect. Whilst he was on the stage the fun was fast and furious. Great support was given by Misses Pettit, Russell, Byrd, Walker, and Christine Lymer, and these ladies sang in perfect manner. As Colonel Popoff, Mr. John Ralston revealed his versatility whilst Chas. Mottram and Victor Ensign were quite good. The whole company was in excellent form and some fine orchestral conducting was given by Mr. Walter Hamm.

The audience again filled the Theatre and was very appreciative. To night's place is to be "Katinka," the new American musical comedy.

INTERPORT SOCCER.

TODAY'S BIG MATCH.

SHANGHAI SKIFFER TALKS.

This afternoon football enthusiasts will be on the tip-toe of expectancy over the eagerly awaited interport match with Shanghai which is to be played this afternoon at Happy Valley. The prospects of a dry pitch, which the home team were much depending on seems very doubtful, unless of course, the sun makes an unexpected appearance.

Practically every practice match of the home team has been played on dry ground and thus having accustomed themselves to dry ground soccer, it seems a pity that they should have to experiment in the interport fixture with a wet ball.

The Shanghai team are reported very fit and J. A. Quayle, their captain, is very optimistic about the result. "The only possible weakness I can see will be in our forward line," he said to a *China Mail* reporter. "Since the time when the Shanghai interport team was being chosen, the forward line have hardly had sufficient time to find their feet. Still what is falling there, will be fully retrieved by the defence." Mr. H. J. Hughes, secretary of the Shanghai Club, football section, also endorsed the captain's view over that particular point.

Quayle is particularly well known as a football player, and in his younger days had the distinction of playing left back for Woolwich Arsenal. In 1913 he represented Shanghai in an interport match against Hongkong when the first named team won by 2-1. To-day his position will be that of left back and he does not propose to let the ball get beyond him this afternoon. Of course that will be for the Hongkong forwards to decide.

The bulk of the Shanghai team are all round athletes. T. W. R. Wilson for instance has played interport cricket and tennis and has also been an interport representative in rowing and swimming. L. Goldman and E. E. Mears have also tried for interport swimming honours.

No doubt Shanghai has a prudently picked team but will have to be very wary of the home side who have quite equal chance of carrying away with them this year's interport soccer honours.

The team to represent Shanghai will be—A. H. Remedios, E. Turner, J. A. Quayle, G. T. Crawford, E. E. Mears, P. C. H. Ollerdesse, W. E. Dailley, A. S. Phillips, L. Goldman, L. Concheur and T. W. R. Wilson.

INTERPORT ARRANGEMENTS.

The following are the amended arrangements made by the H. K. F. A. for the Interport Football.

To-day at 4 p.m. Interport match Hongkong v. Shanghai on the Club ground. Kick off at 4 p.m. sharp. Referee, Mr. Williams.

In the evening at the Hongkong Hotel the Interport Dinner will be held, and the presentation of medals to both teams.

To-morrow, at 4.30 p.m. on the Club ground South China Athletic v. Shanghai. Referee, Mr. Holland. In the evening the Shanghai team will be entertained to Dinner at the Yee Wo Restaurant by the South China Athletic Association.

On Wednesday the 21st, the United Services v. Shanghai match will take place on the Club ground at 4 p.m. sharp. Referee, Mr. Smith. In the evening the Shanghai team will be entertained by the Football Association at Repulse Bay.

The tickets for the respective games that have already been booked will be available for the match booked for the Services game on Wednesday the price will be \$1 and 50 cents for the covered and uncovered stands respectively. There will be no booking.

By kind permission, the band of the King's Regiment will play to-day at the interport match, both before the game and during the interval. So far as is known the Shanghai team will leave here by the "Empress of Russia" on Thursday at noon.

A shopkeeper of No. 447 Redemation Street, Shamshui reports that at about 9.00 a.m. yesterday four men attempted to commit an armed robbery on his premises. Whilst in the kitchen he was attacked by a note in the shop and on going out he saw four men, one of whom was armed with what appeared to be a toy pistol. Those of them aimed his rifle while the other who was a dagger rushed at him. He struck the man with a tin bucket that he was carrying. Other inmates then raised the alarm and the men thereupon fled. He followed one of them in the direction of Mong-ho Market, but lost sight of him later.

HOME ONCE MORE.

HONGKONG RESIDENT'S IMPRESSIONS.

Home after ten years!—Not a very long time to be sure but wild known but those ten years have been the most momentous in our country's history, possibly in the world's history. When one arrives in London, however, nothing of this is apparent. It is very difficult to realise what the people of Britain have gone through and what changes have occurred, during the past decade.

Indeed, on the surface, even to the watchful eye, no changes are visible. It is the same old England, the same old London with its bustling life and in spite of the war a greater superfluity than ever of men of military age.

Everywhere are signs of prosperity; crowded hotels, packed theatres and cinemas, overcrowded tennis courts and golf courses.

As far as outward signs go, there might never have been a war. But Britain never did carry her heart on her sleeve and it requires a close examination before the tremendous changes become manifest.

To begin with, for the first time in history a Labour party is His Majesty's official opposition in Parliament. Ten years ago Labour mustered some forty M.P.'s and they were regarded more as curiosities than as legislators.

Now Ramsay MacDonald leads a much stronger force than either Lloyd George or Asquith. These two it will be noted, recently had a squabble as to which section of the Liberal party should control the party funds. Opinion here is to the effect that without union, the Liberal party is finished.

Indeed, doubt is expressed that both leaders have played their part. Their day is possibly over and the fight of the future will be between Conservatism and Socialism.

The present Prime Minister is stated to have expressed the hope before the recent election, that Labour would not be the opposition since sooner or later the opposition party comes into power.

The present Labour party look forward with confidence to that day and it cannot be denied that amongst them is a large proportion of intellectuals, who are credited with holding if anything more advanced views than their colleagues.

The solitary Communist M.P. he who described the King's official opening of Parliament as a "Tomfool show"—seems to have been calmly, if unofficially, accepted into the Labour fold.

Needless to remark, if a Labour Party were returned to power within the next ten or twenty years, the consequences might be appreciable even in distant Hongkong. The Constitutional Reform Association, for example—if that body is still alive—might find its demands granted in a hurry, with possibly a vote thrown in for the chair, coolie and the amah, if over 21 years of age.

Ten years ago houses were plentiful and cheap. Now they are scarce and dear. Indeed every second person one meets seems to be house hunting. Half the nation apparently lives in furnished lodgings, an extremely expensive way of living. Naturally there is great discontent among the houseless and it is difficult to exaggerate the bad effects upon children brought up in other peoples' houses. Their lives must be one continual series of prohibitions and their parents' one of ceaseless anxiety lest the furniture be scratched or the dishes broken.

Food is still fifty or seventy per cent. above pre-war prices. Eggs for example were recently 4s each and have just dropped to 8s each. Butter has varied lately between 2/- and 2/6 per lb. and the only article of diet which has dropped right back is the potato of which there has been a glut. The tendency, however, of both foodstuffs and clothing is downwards.

The quicker the fall in prices, the better for the many who are on the verge of starvation.

What with 1,300,000 unemployed and the very large number who are in employment but drawing microscopic wages the standard of living of this great country is falling below that of China.

In the *Glasgow Medical Journal* for December, 1922, there is given a sixteen page report on the results of poverty in working class homes in Glasgow. This report states that "the results reveal a distressing picture of underfeeding and under nutrition approaching that existing in Vienna in 1920-21."

All the feeling against trading with enemy countries has gone and the feeling is against Germany.

Beast Crops.

It is absurd to allow a coach to haul and carry your vital organs. Chaplain's Coach Road will save you. You don't know what a persistent cough will lead you. You can't afford to allow your throat and lungs to become diseased when it is such a simple thing to step into a Chaplain's Coach and get a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For sale by all Chemists and Druggists.

CHINA COAST.

LATEST SHIPPING CHANGES.

Captain F. D. Northcombe, of the "Luanyi," is on reserve.

Captain J. Legge, of the "Ching-kiang," has gone master, "Luanyi."

Mr. T. Johnston, chief officer, "Fengtien," is on reserve.

Mr. O. Mather, from leave, has gone chief officer, "Fengtien."

Mr. C. E. Fisher, chief officer, "Soochow," has gone chief officer, "Kingsman."

Mr. D. Lupton, from leave, has gone chief officer, "Soochow."

Mr. L. Jenkins, chief officer, "Taming," is on reserve.

Mr. H. H. Bolderson, second officer, "Fatahan," has gone acting chief officer, "Taming."

Mr. N. O. Bhatia, second officer, "Kashang," has gone second officer, "Fatahan."

Mr. A. F. Summerfield, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Newchwang."

Mr. A. Oliver, second officer, "Kiangsu," has gone second officer, "Kwellin."

Mr. T. M. Love, second engineer, "Woonung," is on leave.

Mr. A. Mackenzie, from reserve, has gone second engineer, "Woonung."

Mr. J. Gordon, from reserve, has gone third engineer, "Shansi."

Mr. B. Macintyre, third engineer, "Shansi," is on reserve.

Mr. A. Buchanan, chief engineer, "Chusan," is on reserve.

Mr. W. C. Sinclair, from reserve, has gone chief engineer, "Chusan."

Mr. D. M. Stewart, from reserve, has gone second engineer, "Newchwang."

Mr. G. Atkinson, second engineer, "Wuhu," has gone second engineer, "Luanyi."

Mr. J. H. Campton, second engineer, "Luanyi," is on reserve.

Mr. W. F. Handerson, from reserve, has gone second engineer, "Wuhu."

Mr. W. T. Anderson, second engineer, "Kashang," has gone second engineer, "Chungking."

Mr. A. Moore, second engineer, "Chungking," has gone second engineer, "Tatung."

Mr. G. Tinker, third engineer, "Fengtien," is on leave.

Mr. J. Symington, from reserve, has gone chief engineer, "Kanchow."

Mr. G. S. Paxton, from reserve, has gone supply second engineer, "Shanghai."

Mr. R. H. Norton, third engineer, "Nanking," is on reserve.

Mr. J. Clark, from reserve, has gone third engineer, "Nanking."

Mr. K. Logan, chief engineer, "Kwellin," has gone chief engineer, "Kwangsu."

Mr. P. A. Maitland, chief engineer, "Kwangsu," has gone chief engineer, "Kwellin."

Mr. O. V. R. Basham, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Suifu."

Mr. J. D. Carnie, from reserve, has gone chief engineer, "Loongwo."

Mr. W. Thompson, chief engineer, "Loongwo," has retired.

Mr. F. Karlake, from reserve, has gone third engineer, "Fusang."

Mr. F. E. Clark, third engineer, "Fusang," has gone acting second engineer, same ship.

Mr. H. Craig, second engineer, "Fusang," has gone acting chief engineer, "Waishing."

Mr. E. Winterston, chief engineer, "Waishing," is on leave.

Mr. F. Dunstan, third engineer, "Luambo," is on leave.

Mr. J. H. Lee, third engineer, "Kingsing," has gone third engineer, "Luambo."

Mr. L. Grobe, second officer, "Hainan," has gone second officer, "Yanhu."

Mr. A. E. Smith, second officer, "Yanhu," has gone second officer, "Hainan."

Mr. T. D. Sheritt, from leave, has gone second engineer, "Kiangsu."

Mr. W. Spence, second engineer, "Yanhu," has gone acting chief engineer, "Tungwah."

in its place there is a keen desire to do business with Germany as this is now seen to be the best method of bringing back normal conditions. German goods in immense quantities are arriving in this country and are helping to lower the cost of living. Many thousands of pounds worth of German toys must have been sold during the recent Christmas season and it was indeed almost impossible to find any toys which were made elsewhere.

THE WEATHER.

There has been no winter this year. The weather has been very mild and open so far. Snow has fallen but only in small quantities and it has rapidly disappeared. The heavy overcast I used to wear in Hongkong has been too warm for this country and I am beginning to conclude that our climate is badly maligned. Winter in Britain, in the country at least, is delightful. In the large cities of course the days are dark and dismal but that is not so much due to the weather as to the chimneys and in any case the brightly lighted streets and the gay nights offer compensation. R. D.

"CRIMEAN LAMB."**FUR COAT TRADE SECRETS.****QUESTIONS TO EXPERT.**

The hearing was resumed at Marlborough-street Police Court in mid-week of the summons against Charles Wayne, Ltd., Oxford-street, W., for selling a fur coat to which a false trade description, "Crimean lamb," was applied.

For the prosecution, the London Fur Trade Association, it was alleged that a coat sold at £7 7s. as grey Crimean lamb was made from "elink" lamb, a white inferior fur, which was dyed grey to imitate the Crimean.

Mr. E. Poland, senior partner of Messrs. P. R. Poland and Sons fur and skin merchants, Queen Victoria-street, E.C., said that the coat produced was not made of Crimean lamb, which was a trade description referring to a distinct breed of sheep.

Asked as to chinchilla fur, Mr. Poland said it was fetching enormous, even fabulous prices.

Sir Edward Marshall Hall, K.C., for the defence: Real chinchilla is a rat, is it not?—It is a rodent.

Sir Edward said that a real chinchilla skin was worth £10. He held up a skin and said: That is what we call chinchilla-rat. That is an ordinary rat skin. You would agree that that may be described as chinchilla rat?—Yes.

LUMINOUS-HAT-SKINS.

To make it more like chinchilla the back of the skin has been dyed dark blue so as to produce a luminous effect—Oh, is that the idea? (Laughter.)

Producing yet another chinchilla-rat, Sir Edward said the value of the two chinchilla-rat skins was £8. 6d. as compared with £10 for the first chinchilla skin. He also put in a fashion-paper picture of a chinchilla-rat coat to which was appended the following:—"The silver lights of chinchilla, nowadays so rarely seen, are closely resembled by the chinchilla-rat, of which this cloak is made."

Mr. Poland agreed that to sell a coat like that as chinchilla-rat would be perfectly legitimate.

Sir Edward suggested that the selling of the coat as "Crimean lamb" was analogous to that.

Mr. Poland: No. The name of a "Crimean lamb" belongs to what is known in natural history as "Crimean lamb."

If you were persuaded that the real object of this prosecution was to destroy the trade of a man who was selling in competition with other members of the association at a low price you would not be a party to contemptuous litigation?—No.

Sir Edward: When I tell you that the advertisement of the fur coats in this case cost £1,000 (£900 to The Daily Mail and £100 for the block), and that 15 was the total of these particular coats advertised at £7 7s. each, would you still suggest there was any fraud in this case?

Mr. Mead, the magistrate (interposing): That is not a question for the witness to decide. Fraud is a very ambiguous term. (To Sir Edward) What you are going to say is that this material has got a fictitious name?

Sir Edward: A name of reputation. Mr. Mead: In the same way that Stilton cheese not made at Stilton is called Stilton cheese.

Sir Edward: That will save me asking a great many questions. The hearing was adjourned.

Scotland Changing Hands.

During the year fully 800,000 acres of land in Scotland changed hands, representing monetary transactions amounting to £6,500,000. Something like 600,000 acres were disposed of during the preceding year, and during the past four years more than 5,000,000 acres, involving over £50,000,000 in money, have changed hands of the total area of Scotland of about 19,000,000 acres. The principal properties disposed of during the present year included the Hamilton dual estates, 117,000 acres of lands belonging to Cameron of Lochiel, 60,000 acres of the Henty estates of the Duke of Richmond and Gordon, and the Breadalban estates, including the family seat of Taymouth Castle, which became the property of a syndicate.

Knights of the Napkin Again!—With the removal of the restrictions against immigration to Britain, there is hardly a German waiter who worked in England prior to the war who does not wish to return. A great rush for passports, states a London wire of January 8; has been checked by the announcement that the Home Secretary must grant a special permit to prospective employers. Waiters have written to their old employers asking them to obtain permits. The desire to return to England is increased by the fact that German waiters have lost all chance of recovering their old jobs in Switzerland and Holland, where the Swiss and Dutch have obtained the places. Only 5,000 Germans are working in foreign countries in Europe.

DR. SUN HERE.**LABOUR GUILDS WELCOME.****TO SPEAK TOMORROW.**

Dr. Sun Yat-sen arrived from Shanghai late on Saturday afternoon, by the "President Jefferson." Shortly after six o'clock, the ship berthed at the Kowloon Godown Co.'s wharf but it was nearly half past seven before he landed at Blake Pier where he proceeded by motor-car to Mr. Young Sai-ngam's residence, where he is staying for the present.

In spite of the inclement weather, large crowds of Chinese, mostly labour guild representatives, gathered on Murray and Blake Piers early in the afternoon to await the ship's arrival. At about half past five, the crowd melted away as it was feared that the "Jefferson" would not enter the harbour till daylight on account of the fog.

Several launches, carrying representatives of the two general labour unions and the Luo Yee Seamen's Society went out in the direction of Shaokwan with strings of firecrackers but the parties were disappointed.

A large crowd of Chinese with a number of Europeans waited at the Kowloon Godowns, eager to catch a glimpse of Dr. Sun. However, a strong cordon of police, fully armed, under Inspector Angus, prevented admittance to the wharf till the Doctor had left, which was not till an hour after berthing. After Mr. T. H. King, D. S. P., had gone on board, detectives were stationed on the gangway, a posse of police escorted the Doctor to a waiting steam launch which took him across to Blake Pier. Here he immediately boarded a motor-car and left for Mr. Young's residence.



Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

Accompanying Dr. Sun, is Mr. Eugene Chen, and several other officials. Hon. Shun-ching (the Civil Governor designate of Canton) Ko Ying-fan (Civil Commissioner) and C. H. Kwong (Foreign Commissioner) met their leader on the wharf after intercourse with them had been established by Mr. Chen.

Rousing demonstrations of enthusiasm were displayed by a number of labour guilds and seamen's societies after the news of Dr. Sun's arrival had spread. That part of Des Vaux Road Central near the new Fire Station, contains at least ten seamen's societies. Here there was one tremendous fusillade of firecrackers from eight o'clock on Saturday night till nearly eleven o'clock, although this was not particularly noticeable by Europeans who thought they were part of the New Year celebrations. Another display was given by the Seamen's Union yesterday.

Dr. Sun was entertained at luncheon at Government House yesterday, when the gathering was informal. During the afternoon, he visited Sir Robert Ho Tung and partook of tea. He was accompanied by Mr. Eugene Chen.

The Doctor's immediate plans are not known just at present, but it is expected that he will stay here for a few days at least. To-morrow at 11 a.m. he is to give an address in the University Union. Ostensibly his destination is Canton, but he may decide to go to Kowloon, where his adherents have established temporary headquarters.

During the voyage, Dr. Sun kept very much to himself, being continually accompanied by his followers. The Doctor also had a private cook, but when he found that the kitchen staff was Cantonese he took his meals in the dining saloon.

The day after the "President Jefferson" sailed, a Shanghai newspaper gave a full account of "Dr. Sun's Assassination" on board the ship. This led to considerable alarm among his friends which was dispelled by a reply from Dr. Sun to their wireless inquiry.

In reporting Dr. Sun's departure from Shanghai, the China Press of the 14th says:—

ACCIDENT TO "TITANIA"**TOWED BACK TO PORT.**

Sustaining damage to her gear while on the trip to Manila in connection with the Fleet's visit to the Philippines, H.M.S. "Titania," the submarine tender, was obliged to put back to port.

She left here with the submarines on Wednesday and ran into a thick fog when a few hours out of port. When the fog lifted the "Titania" was heading for some rocks. The engines were immediately reversed to prevent a wreck, but the change of movement was so sudden that serious damage was done to the steering gear and the ship was disabled. She was towed back to port by the submarine, which afterwards proceeded on to Manila accompanied by H.M.S. "Marazion" as tender.

BOXING.**TWO CHAMPIONSHIP BOUTS.**

The March tourney of the Hongkong Boxing Association will be held at the Theatre Royal on Race Saturday (March 3), commencing at 9.15 p.m. An attractive programme has been arranged, and it will include two championship bouts, both of 15 rounds duration. In the first contest, A. B. Chadwick of H.M.S. "Marazion" will meet S.P.O. "Rattler" Morgan of H.M.S. "Hawkins" for the lightweight championship of the Colony and the "Gedee" belt. The middleweight championship and the Daily Press belt will be at stake in the other feature contest, the contestants being A. B. Duncan of H.M.S. "Magnolia" and Pte. Ainsworth, R.M.L.I. Four other contests will complete the programme. Booking opens at Moutrie's for members on Feb. 26 and for the general public on Feb. 27. Usual prices.

German Jan Signs.

Apropos of a paragraph about Teutonic Jan signs, a correspondent writes to the Pioneer that there is a licensed house near Riehl Bayracks, Cologne, whose sign is: The Better "Ole, and it has two Union Jacks prominently painted on the signboard. The licensee is a British ex-Serviceman, formerly of the Gloucesters. In Lindenthal, where the R. A. F. have their Rhine headquarters, there is an inn called Der Volkerbunde, which is German for League of Nations; in Ehrenfeld there is a cafe known as The Round Table; The Helping Hand is next door to the Rhine Army cinema, while The Hole in the Wall and The Long Bar are in the shade of Cologne Cathedral adjacent to British G. H. Q. Close by is the Hotel Bristol formerly requisitioned by the Army of Occupation. On being released its new German proprietor changed the sign to the Koenigshof, but after a few months it was the Hotel Bristol again; the name "drew" British and Allied travellers.

The action of the Southern leader in response to numerous requests that have been addressed to him by various conflicting interests at Canton where administrative and commercial conditions have been thrown into disorder by the recent coup of the Kwangsi forces.

It has not been disclosed how long Doctor Sun intends to remain in the South, but it is known that he has no intention of making any effort to reorganise a Southern Government of the kind he formerly headed there.

VISIT TO COLONIAL SECRETARIAT.

In spite of announcements that Dr. Sun was too busy to give any interviews, a China Mail reporter called at 9, Conduit Road, the residence of Mr. Young Sai ngam, where Dr. Sun is staying. After being eyed suspiciously by a foreigner who had the appearance of a private detective, he reached the gilded door where he was informed that both Dr. Sun and Mr. Eugene Chen were out. Enquiries at the house this afternoon elicited the information that Dr. Sun had gone to the Colonial Secretary's Office, Mr. Chen is staying at the Hongkong Hotel, Room 404, but he was out when the reporter called this afternoon.

DEPARTURE FOR CANTON.

It is stated that Dr. Sun is leaving for Canton on Wednesday morning, by the s.s. "Huangshan."

MAJOR CASSEL SUED.**CHAUFFEUR CLAIMS WAGES.****A PETROL MYSTERY.**

Major Cassel was defendant in a case heard before the Police Judge (Mr. Justice H. H. J. Gompertz) in the Summary Court this morning, when he was sued by Noor Ahmed, a chauffeur formerly in his employ, for the sum of \$97.50, being \$22.50 for nine days' wages unpaid, and \$75 in lieu of one month's notice of dismissal.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. D. H. Blake for Major Cassel. Mr. Russ said that the plaintiff was engaged by Major Cassel on November 22 and worked for him until January 9, when he was dismissed without notice. On January 18, he was paid \$75 for the month of December. No payment was made for the nine days of January. Plaintiff claims that he was entitled to those nine days' pay and one month's wages in lieu of notice of dismissal. The point at issue, said Mr. Russ, was whether the defendant was justified in dismissing the plaintiff without notice, and he submitted, the onus of satisfying the Court on that point lay with the defence.

On that ground, Mr. Blake claimed the right to go on the case. Explaining the facts of the case, he said that plaintiff was dismissed after being questioned by Major Cassel as to the amount of petrol supplied and received by plaintiff. There were 10 gallons short from a Napier car and approximately 6 gallons short from a Cadillac, making up exactly the 16 gallons which beyond saying he had put them in the plaintiff was unable to account for in a satisfactory way. On this ground Major Cassel dismissed the plaintiff, as the cars contained valuable accessories and the Major could not keep a chauffeur whom he could not trust.

Major Cassel, in the witness box, admitted in cross-examination by Mr. Russ that the Cadillac had been to Repulse Bay on January 6 and from the Hongkong Club to the Jockey Club stables on the 7th. The trip round the Island was roughly 26 miles and the run to the stables was just a fraction over one mile.

Mr. Russ: The last time the Napier was out did it go to Paoling and back via Castle Peak?—That was not this month, but on Dec. 31.

That trip is 60 miles!—The plaintiff in the witness box said when he received the two cases of gasoline, he put 14 in the Cadillac and the rest in the Napier. That was on January 6 and 8. Major Cassel accused him of stealing petrol on the 9th and dismissed him. He (plaintiff) remembered taking the Napier to Paoling once and the Cadillac round the Island and on a subsequent occasion to the stables from the Hongkong Club. He could not recall the date because he kept no record, but it was after he had filled both cars.

Both witnesses then addressed the Court. Mr. Russ contended that there was no substantial or definite shortage proved by the defendant and that the plaintiff was dismissed only on suspicion of theft. Mr. Blake contended that plaintiff had not given a satisfactory account as to how the gasoline was used, and if he had not taken it himself, it must have been stolen through his carelessness. His Lordship reserved his decision.

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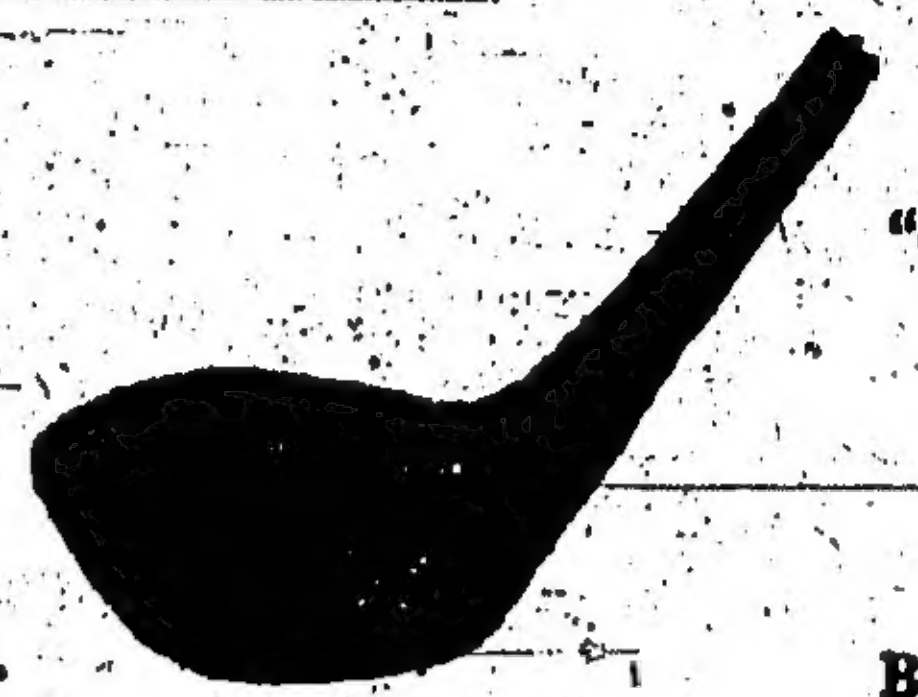
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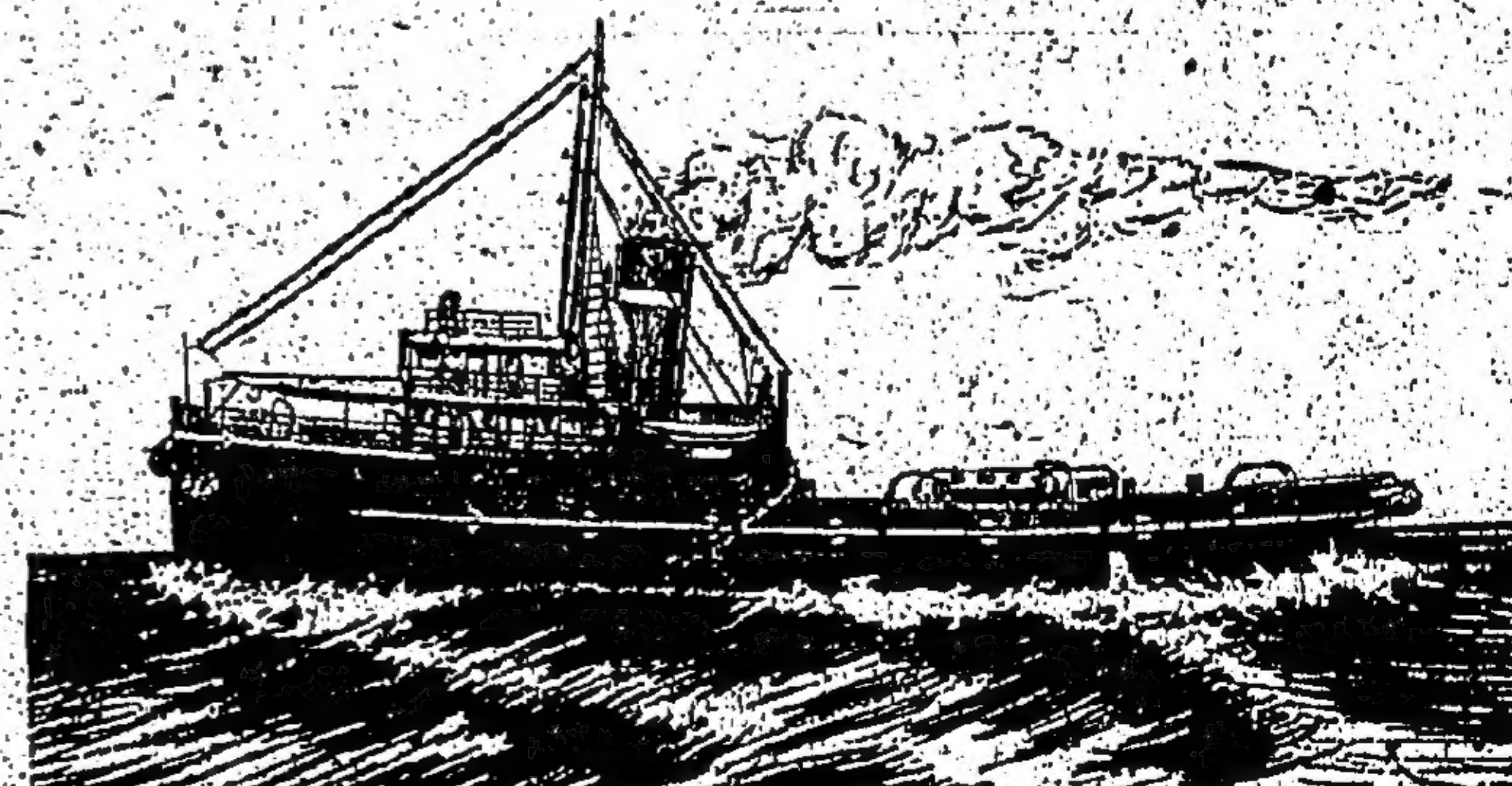
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INDIAN ARMY.

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EXCHANGE MARKET REPORTS.

The foreign exchange market was quiet to-day. Sterling on New York hardened to 4.00 on the Senate's ratification of the Anglo-American Debt Settlement Bill. French francs were quoted at 78.02, Belgian francs 80.20, and lire 973. Marks 90.00 to 96.00.
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SHADOWS BEFORE.

COMING EVENTS ADVERTISED IN THE "MAIL."

ENTERTAINMENTS.

February 19.—Coronet Theatre: Ois Skinner in "Kismet." World Theatre: Elaine Hammerstein in "Whispers." Kowloon Theatre: "The Pygmalion Judge."

February 19—20.—Theatre Royal, Gilbert and Sullivan—Opera Co., "Katinka."

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PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

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SPORTING EVENTS.

February 19.—St. Andrew's Church Men's Association Annual Marathon Race at 4 p.m.

February 28.—First day of Jockey Club's race meeting.

March 1.—Second day of Jockey Club's race meeting.

March 2.—Third day of Jockey Club's race meeting.

March 3.—Fourth day of Jockey Club's race meeting.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

February 20.—38th Annual meeting of shareholders of Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., at noon.

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(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

REUNIFICATION OF CHINA.

PEKING, February 17.

Despite the New Year holidays the discussion is proceeding as regards reunification. The leading Northern Generals Tso K'un, Wu Pei Fu, Chih Sueh Yuan and Lu Yung Hsiang are suggesting a written agreement between themselves, and then joining with the southerners with the Premier's mediation. The Premier is intending to bring General Chang Tso Lin into the scheme. General Chang Tso Lin's delegate, Yuan Chin Kai has arrived at Peking in order to discuss peace with the Government, also Red aggression against the railway.

The Chiao-tung (Ministry of Communications) has informed the Diplomatic Body that all telegraphs, telephone and wireless buildings and installations throughout the country are absolutely public property, and no-one is entitled to sell or mortgage them. If the provincial authorities and foreign interests enter into any such agreements the Government will not recognise their validity.

UTROPH IN THE JAPANESE DIET.

TOKYO, February 16.

In the course of a debate in the lower house this afternoon, Mr. Tokonami, defending the Government against opposition charges of mistaken diplomacy, attacked the policy of Viscount Kato, when he was Foreign Minister, and said that the Twenty-One Demands were a serious blow to Japan's prestige abroad and were also an attack on the sovereignty of China.

Mr. Tokonami's remarks caused an uproar. He was unable to proceed. When an opposition speaker attempted to speak the Government party created such a noise that he was unable to be heard.

The speaker ordered a recess of the House and made efforts to adjust the matter in order to resume, but the intense confusion prevailed and Diet being unable to resume was adjourned until Saturday.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE DUTCH INDIES.

THE HAGUE, February 17.

In a statement in committee, the Colonial Minister declared his intention to avoid all measures calculated to drive capital from the Dutch Indies. He said he was of the opinion that it was not likely that the Batavian Company's oil refineries would be transferred to British Borneo, owing to export duties to the Dutch Indies. He foreshadowed the introduction of a Bill, exempting oil by-products obtained from material imported into the Dutch Indies since July 1922, from export duty, while oil imported and refined in the Dutch Indies would be exempt from the contemplated oil duty.

New York, February 17.

The Dutch Indies issue has been over subscribed.

JAPANESE LABOURERS FOR BRAZIL.

New York, February 17.

Several newspapers print a circumstantial report to the effect that the Governments of Japan and Brazil have entered into an agreement for the colonising of 500,000 Japanese labourers in Brazil, stating that Japan is paying a head tax of \$8. Neither the Japanese nor the Brazilian Consul-General has any information regarding the matter. Washington is said to be concerned.

WASHINGTON AGREEMENTS.

ROME, February 17.

The Senate has ratified the Washington Agreements, including the two relating to China.

JAPANESE MISSION IN FRANCE.

Toulon, February 17.

A Japanese Naval Mission has arrived with the object of studying Japanese naval organisations in the French navy.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE RUHR SITUATION.

ESSEN, February 17th.

The Court Martial sentenced Herr Schaefer, the Burgomaster of Essen, to two years' imprisonment and a fine of 10,000,000 marks. He was charged with preventing the delivery of coal to the French. Herr Buesmann, director of the electricity works at Oberhausen, has been fined 5,000,000 marks for refusing electricity supplies.

ESSEN, February 17th.

Herr Havenstein, Chief Burgomaster of Oberhausen, has been sentenced to three years' imprisonment in connection with the cutting off of electricity and gas supplies at the beginning of the occupation.

PARIS, February 17th.

The heavy sentences imposed on German officials, mark the beginning of the already predicted French policy of drastic repression in the Ruhr area. Other measures taken include the disbandment of the security police at Essen and the arrest of its military and civilian heads. These measures are described as only a forerunner of what is awaiting German official obstructionism.

ESSEN, February 17th.

The sentences imposed on Havenstein and Schaefer were unexpected, and have created consternation among the population. A weeping and bareheaded crowd witnessed Havenstein's removal from the Court. Essen is now working toward the contrary the French forces have been strengthened.

ESSEN, February 17th.

An altercation, resulting from the refusal of an hotel to serve Belgian soldiers with refreshments, culminated in some firing in which two soldiers were wounded. After the incident the French dispatched a regiment of infantry, armed with machine-guns. They occupied the police barracks, arrested the director of police, disarmed eighty police and seized all books and records.

LATON.

The German police will henceforth carry out their duties in plain clothes and without arms.

DUSSELDORF, February 17th.

A party of troops at Dortmund has arrested a number of officials in the Ruhr, including the Director of Police and the Inspector of Customs.

It has been decided by the French Government to seek an immediate settlement of the problem of railway traffic in the British zone. The outstanding settlement in Paris to-day is that the Conference of London left the Entente unimpaired, and Premier Poincare will be generally supported if he accepts the compromise the British offer.

It is generally assumed by this morning's newspapers that while the British Cabinet were quite unable to reconcile the policy of benevolent neutrality in the Ruhr with the granting of the Franco-Belgian request for the free use of railway within the British zone, they, in yesterday's negotiations, expressed a willingness to facilitate the Allies' operations by conceding the use of a short sector of the railway, just inside the zone.

M. Trocuer, in an interview after his departure, said that an agreement was more than likely on these lines, but he could not divulge the information.

The British newspapers emphasize that the British would prefer to withdraw entirely, rather than accept the French scheme in its entirety. With the danger of becoming involved in the present political, economic and military complications, "If we cannot remain neutral, and stay there, we must remain neutral and go," frankly declares one influential journal.

The Liberal press is inclined to emphasize that a withdrawal would mean the end of the Entente, and one Lloyd George organ openly suggests that the French are actually working toward annexation. Other papers urge the necessity for the maintenance of the Entente, while the Daily Mail alone condemns the refusal to accede to the French request.

PARIS, February 17th.

Relative to the London negotiations, it is stated in French diplomatic circles that the British have proposed a compromise. The solution which is apparently accepted is that the French military transports shall use the main railway lines traversing the British zone, but only in the proportions obtaining before the occupation of the Ruhr area.

Everything points to the conclusion that France has decided to accept the arrangement under which Great Britain will have over a small sector of the railway in the British zone, and the use of other railways only to the extent used before the occupation of the Ruhr area.

In the meanwhile British public opinion is increasingly restive, in view of the grave situation which is developing.

PARIS, February 17th.

Some French quarters assert that the Germans are about to inaugurate a guerrilla warfare after the Irish pattern. The reported information regarding this matter, which is reaching the French Authorities is possibly necessitating the rushing up of reinforcements to the Ruhr.

LATON.

The French occupied Gelsenkirchen this morning without incident.

BERLIN, February 17th.

Advices from Dusseldorf state that the German Minister of Posts, Herr Stinck, is leaving for Berlin to-day, and is expected to arrive at Berlin on February 18th.

He is expected to visit the Post-Office at Dusseldorf, Dusseldorf, Essen and elsewhere. It is not known whether the French are aware of his presence.

BERLIN, February 17th.

Herr Boeltz, Minister of Education, visited Bochum, Essen and Dortmund on February 16th and 17th, and has arrived at Berlin to-day for Berlin.

CHANCELLOR Cuno, in the course of a speech, emphasised Germany's determination to continue passive resistance in the Ruhr area, saying that "over this we have no power in the world could triumph."

It is reported that the shortage of coal and coke is bringing to a standstill many industries in the occupied and unoccupied portions of Germany. The coal importers at Hamburg have decided to form large blocks of British coal.

THE GERMAN COAL COMMISSIONER.

In the course of an interview said that industry in occupied Germany would be supplied with coal for a considerable period. He categorically denied that the country was on the brink of a coal catastrophe.

The French mine strike appears to be spreading, but it is in no way general. At Beldune and Pas de Calais the strike seems to have failed, but in the Alsace basin fifty per cent. of the miners are out. The total number of strikers in other places is about 25,000.

BRUSSELS, February 17th.

The miners on the Brinange coalfields, numbering 15,000, have struck on the question of wages, declaring that the five per cent. increase offered by the mine owners is insufficient, and adding that the strike is not connected with events in the Ruhr area.

PARIS, February 17th.

Advices from Coblenz state that the occupation authorities have decided to take over the customs in the occupied territories, abolishing the present tariff and substituting a flat ten per cent. duty on imports, with the exception of certain foodstuffs.

LONDON, February 17th.

Eighty-nine Labour members of the House of Commons have telegraphed to President Harding in connection with the Ruhr situation, appealing for American co-operation as the one hope of saving Europe.

ESSEN, February 17th.

A remarkable feature of life in the occupied area of the Ruhr is that the people lack nothing. This is the result of the big relief funds, to which Germans throughout the world are contributing. Victuals are superabundant, although the Ruhr area is in no way self-supporting.

As regards food, all the employees, miners, shop assistants and hotel workers receive full wages when thrown idle in consequence of the order of the French occupation.

The population, admonished by numerous proclamations urging them to keep calm, are preserving remarkable discipline, but they exhibit a fanatical hatred of the French.

LONDON, February 17th.

A striking article in the Observer, written by the editor, Mr. Garvin, indicates that the hope of obtaining reparations has finally vanished, leaving a deliberate and terrible policy of dismantlement of Germany, which is now unopposed by the most modern French publicists. The writer urged strongly that the decisive time has come to withdraw from the Rhine like America, and to formally end the Entente, unless France can be brought to accept such a compromise as was refused at the Paris conference.

TURKEY DESIRES PEACE.

CONSTANTINOPLE, February 17th.

Imet Pasha, in the course of a cordial conversation with Sir Charles Harrington, British Consul-General, expressed a sincere desire for peace. He promised to endeavour to secure the liberation of the two British airmen who were captured at Chanak.

Imet subsequently met Mr. Polle, to whom he said that he hoped soon to be able to inform the secretariat at Lannano of the resumption of negotiations.

IRELAND'S CIVIL WAR.

DUBLIN, February 17th.

A proposal for a month's truce, in order to enable peace negotiations in a favourable atmosphere, has been addressed to the heads of the Free State and the leaders of the irregulars by an association of neutral members of the old Republican army, claiming to represent 20,000 men. This is the outcome of the recent peace convention held at Dublin. The suggested conditions include the suspension of all military activities and acts of aggression against public and private persons and property by the Republicans, and the suspension of all Free State military activities, arms, trials and executions. The peacekeepers request replies by February 23rd, with the immediate cessation of acts of aggression. They offer to nominate a neutral chairman of the peace conference, to whom they would submit proposals as a basis for negotiation. The association appeals for the active support of the people and all public bodies throughout Ireland.

President Cosgrave's statement, which is most lengthy, refers to the approaching expiration of the amnesty offer. It charges De Valera's supporters with attempting to deceive their followers by falsely stating that the Government had instituted the peace conference. The statement indicates that various offers of peace terms from the irregulars have been turned down. Mr. O'Higgins (Minister of Home Affairs) when interviewed, said that the amnesty offer has resulted in a considerable crumbling in the rank and file of the irregulars.

President Cosgrave as the last word in his statement on the Irish peace question, says that the Government is determined to repress anti-democratic revolt regardless of cost. He warns insurgents continuing the unnatural war after the expiry of the amnesty offer that they must be prepared to pay the full price. He emphasises that there will be no going back on this, and also declares that there will be no meeting for negotiations between the Government and De Valera, or any of the latter's collaborators in destruction.

The Home Ministry at Dublin states that the leader of the gang who was responsible for the death of Mr. O'Higgins has been arrested and identified. He is now in Maryborough gaol.

[Mr. O'Higgins was coroner for Queen's County.]

Seventy more Irish irregular prisoners have joined the movement in favour of the surrender of arms.

HARMFUL DRUGS TRAFFIC.

A maximum penalty of ten years' penal servitude and a fine of £1,000 is proposed in a Government Bill to suppress the traffic in opium, cocaine and other drugs in Great Britain. Persons soliciting and enticing others to engage in the traffic will be liable to the same penalties. Persons convicted summarily will be liable to a fine of £250 and a year's imprisonment. Police powers of search are to be increased.

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MOVEMENT OF STEAMERS.

The B. F. S. S. "Troilus" for London, Hull, Rotterdam and Hamburg left Hongkong for Feb. 14; was due here on Feb. 17 and will be despatched at 4 p.m. on Feb. 18.

The B. F. S. S. "Agamemnon" left Liverpool on Jan. 13 for Penang, Port Swettenham, Singapore, Hongkong, Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama and is due here on or about Feb. 21.

The P. M. S. S. "President Pinar" left Hongkong for San Francisco via Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu on Jan. 31 and arrives at San Francisco on Feb. 22.

The O.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" Capt. A. J. Hosken, R.N.R. Commander, will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai (Wooning, Nankai, Kobe and Yokohama) on Feb. 22.

The P. & O. S. S. "Ongole" is expected to arrive at Hongkong on or about Saturday Feb. 24.

The China-Australia Steamship Co.'s a.s. "Victoria" with Australian Mail sailed from Sydney on Feb. 3 and is expected to be here on or about Feb. 24.

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The B. F. S. S. "Rorybates" left Liverpool on Jan. 20 for Penang, Port Swettenham, Singapore, Hongkong, Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama and Yokohama and is due here on Feb. 24.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" arrived at Yokohama on Feb. 10 left Yokohama on Feb. 17 a.m. and is due at Vancouver on Feb. 25.

The B. F. S. S. "Frim" left Rotterdam on Jan. 18 for Penang, Port Swettenham, Singapore, Hongkong, Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama and is due here on or about March 3.

The B. F. S. S. "Duncannon" left Liverpool on Jan. 27 for Penang, Port Swettenham, Singapore, Hongkong, Kobe and Yokohama and is due here on or about Mar. 10.

The B. F. S. S. "Eden" left Liverpool on Feb. 3 for Penang, Port Swettenham, Singapore, Hongkong, Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama and is due here on or about Mar. 13.

The B. F. S. S. "Pyrrhus" left Liverpool on Feb. 10 for Singapore, Hongkong and Shanghai and is due here on or about Mar. 15.

The B. F. S. S. "Sulphur" left New York on Jan. 29 for Suez, Straits, Philippines and Hongkong, and is due here on or about Mar. 27.

The P. M. S. S. "President Taft" sailed from San Francisco on Feb. 8 with a full complement of passengers and freight. The steamer arrives Hongkong on Mar. 4 sailing for Manila on Mar. 6 arriving there on Mar. 7. She is scheduled to sail for San Francisco via regular ports on Mar. 14 and will arrive San Francisco on Apr. 6.

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"CELESTIAL VAGABONDS."

HISTORY OF HALLEY'S COMET.

In one of the afternoon lectures at the Scientific Nautical Exhibition, King's College, which was more crowded than ever, Sir Richard Gregory, F.R.S., told his audience many interesting and amusing things about "celestial vagabonds." This was the title bestowed by the distinguished astronomer on comets, in his lecture on "Comets and Shooting Stars." The former would, he said, wander about space in an irregular way, coming and going at their own perverse will, some time paying return visits to the stars and respectable members of the solar system; at others careering off into illimitable space after one circuit round the sun and never coming back any more. Comets have been known and recorded from very ancient times, especially by the Chinese. The first comet which was proved to have a regular orbit—a very eccentric one, it is true—and to be a periodic visitor to the sun, was that now known as Halley's comet. It was so named after the famous astronomer, who, in the seventeenth century, calculated its orbit and predicted that it would again return to the sky seventy-five years later. Halley did not live to witness the fulfilment of his prediction, but it was fulfilled, and every seventy-five years since then it has reappeared. Sometimes it has been apocryphal, but that was due to the influence of the planet Neptune, who, if he happened to be near the comet when about to start on its return journey to the sun, caused a little delay.

Halley's Comet had been traced back as far as May, 240 B.C., mainly in Chinese records, and may be regarded as a member of the solar system, though a very irregular one, as its orbit lies entirely within the orbit of Neptune. On most of its periodic returns until its motions were understood, Halley's Comet caused great dismay and perturbation to the inhabitants of the earth. It was held to be the prognostic of some great disaster. One of its appearances was just before the Norman invasion of England, when it was held to foretell the downfall of Harold and the Saxon dynasty. The comet which Josephus mentions as being visible during the siege of Jerusalem in 69 A.D., was also Halley's. Its last return was in 1910, and it will again appear in 1985. Halley's Comet is short of a great deal of the glory which it formerly had, due, Sir Richard Gregory said, to the dissipation of its substance in its wanderings, a habit which apparently is common to celestial as well as to terrestrial vagabonds. The last really great comet was that which appeared in 1858, and despite the spread of knowledge in the nineteenth century, caused the lecturer to think, "a good many people to say their prayers more earnestly than usual."

Shooting stars were quite different objects. These were particles of solid matter, mostly iron and nickel, varying in size from microscopic grains up to masses weighing thousands of tons. These fell into the earth's atmosphere at speeds varying from 25 or 30 up to about 70 miles an hour and were for the most part burned up by the friction. Some, however, actually reached the earth, and it was believed that the idol in the temple of Diana at Ephesus and the famous black stone at Mecca, as well as other objects which had fallen on the earth in various places, were meteoric stones which had fallen on the earth in this way. One of the finest collections of these meteoric stones in the world was in the Natural History Museum at South Kensington. Included in it was a mass weighing over three tons, which fell in Australia, but several much larger masses are known.

Professor A. O. Rankine illustrated a comparatively unimportant method of wireless telephony—or, rather, photophony—which is a good many years older than that now becoming so familiar through "broadcasting." This was the transmission of speech along a beam of light, first discovered by Mr. Graham Bell, the inventor of the ordinary telephone. While photophony was somewhat limited in its application, it had certain advantages over wireless telephony. The lecturer said the method undoubtedly contained the possibility of adding speech to cinema pictures. The word record could be attached to the side of the picture film and the speech and action of the actor be produced synchronously. This development might not take place for some time, but a large number of skilled people were working on it, and it would one day be achieved.

MOVEMENT OF STEAMER

The P. & O. s.s. "Khiva" left Shanghai for this port on Saturday, Feb. 17, at noon and is due here on Tuesday, Feb. 20, at about 6 a.m.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND PASSENGERS

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Philip Elliott, H. S. White (center), & Dr. A. J. Morgan.

American Civil War veterans planning the dedication of a monument to the memory of West Virginians who fell in the Battle of Vicksburg. Each of the men is 82 years old, and each voted for Lincoln.



Stanley Baldwin.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Chancellor of the Exchequer, who headed the British Debt Commission, which visited America to discuss the British war debt.



Baroness Stanizovic & Dr. Albert Lorenz.

When the Baroness arrived in America to become the bride of Dr. Albert Lorenz, son of a famous surgeon, she was refused a marriage licence because she did not have the necessary document to prove her Budapest divorce from Geza Reisman. Dr. Lorenz and the Baroness prepared to sail immediately for Austria, where the wedding ceremony will take place.



Dowager Queen Alexandra.

Latest portrait of Queen Alexandra, taken on the celebration of her 78th birthday anniversary.



Nabus Effendi.

Nabus Effendi, former Grand Rabbi of Turkey, has opened negotiations with the Angora Government seeking permission for Ottoman Jews to remain in Turkey.



Sir Lower Gouin.

Sir Lower Gouin, Minister of Justice in Canada, according to latest reports, will be the first Canadian Minister Plenipotentiary in Washington.



Prince Christopher.

Prince Christopher of Greece, ninth in line of succession to the Greek throne, has arrived in New York with his American wife, the former Mrs. William B. Leeds, widow of the American "Tin Plate King."



Miss Alma Bauer.

Visited a girl friend and then completely disappeared, after leaving the friend's home. She was shortly to have married an electrical engineer.



Miss Pauline Ambrose.

Headed her College's most popular girl competition.



Great Bustard.

The great bustard is now being hunted in Spain by aeroplanes. The bird is the largest in Europe, weighing 40 pounds or more.



Senator Fall & Harry M. Daugherty.

American Secretary of the Interior Mr. Albert B. Fall and the Attorney General, Mr. Harry M. Daugherty are reported considering resigning from President Harding's Cabinet, for political as well as financial reasons.



Thomas G. Lawrence & Frank Culver.

Thomas G. Lawrence and Frank Culver, laid claim to the title of "Unkissed Kings" of their university. Culver, the Varsity Football captain, has for this crown, however, a dizzy blonde waylaying him on a lonely road and stealing a kiss.



Prince of Asturias.

The Colonel of the King's Regiment in the Spanish Army is shown pinning a sergeant's chevrons to the uniform of the Prince of Asturias, heir to the Spanish throne, who is working his way up from the ranks.



Peter A. Jay.

Peter A. Jay, American Minister to Rumania.



Charles V. Vickary.

General Secretary of the Near East Relief Commission.



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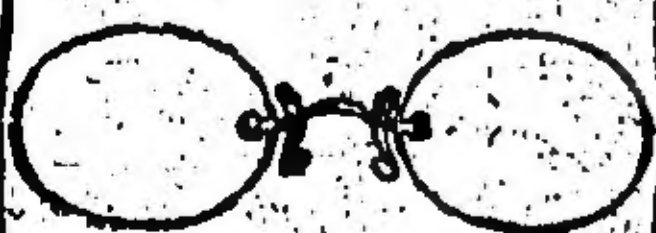


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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

U.S. POLITICAL QUESTIONS.

WASHINGTON, February 17th.
The mysterious source of the large quantity of liquor which the prohibition officials allege is at present being smuggled into Washington, has led the House of Representatives to authorize an enquiry regarding the importation of alcoholic liquor (sic).
President Harding has transmitted to Congress an estimate appropriation of \$2,000,000 to cover the cost of stamping bootleggers.

WASHINGTON, February 17th.
The Senate, by 73 votes to 13, has ratified the Anglo-American debt funding agreement.

WASHINGTON, February 17th.
At a meeting of the Appropriations Committee of the House of Representatives Mr. Hoover urged the appropriation of \$300,000 for the purpose of investigating rubber possibilities in American possessions. It is predicted that the requirements of the United States market would be increased fifty per cent. in the next ten years.

THE TOMBS OF LUXOR.

Luxor, February 16th.
King Tut-Ankh-Amun's tomb was opened today. In the sarcophagus many articles of furniture were discovered.
LONDON, February 17th.
When the excavators emerged from the tomb they were at the highest pitch of excitement, and were still unable to say with any certainty whether Tut-Ankh-Amun's mummy was actually contained in a sarcophagus although they firmly believed this would prove to be the case.
When Mr. Carter, the excavator, caught a glimpse of the inner chamber, through a hole pierced in the wall, he cried out in amazement and joy. The dim light of the electric torches revealed a chamber fourteen feet square, occupied by an immense gilded canopy. Beyond the canopy an open door showed a chamber full of the most magnificent furniture, in orderly array, promising to surpass even the marvelous treasures disclosed at the opening of the antechamber. The inner chamber had apparently not been visited by robbers, like the outer chamber, since the glistening gold canopy is intact. The outer coffin also is a representation of the sacred apartment, with a decorative design executed in brilliant blue glaze at the base.
A feature of the chamber was the magnificent and richly painted statue of a cat, placed as though guarding the dead Pharaoh throughout the centuries.
A canopy jar, probably containing the heart and entrails of the mummy, was found in the canopy chamber.

Luxor, February 17th.
There has been most marvelous find of old Egyptian jewellery inside the outer shrine of Tut-Ankh-Amun. This includes a large number of scarabs, one of which is of red carnelian or jasper, and is the largest ever discovered. All the scarabs are of the very best workmanship.
A casket, in which it is now practically certain the body of Tut-Ankh-Amun will be found, is enclosed within three others, and Egyptianologists are convinced that the most amazing collection of jewels will be discovered when the third casket is opened.

THE HOUSING PROBLEM.

A Bill has been introduced in the House of Commons designed to end the so-called rent strike. It provides that the absence of notice to quit does not invalidate the landlord's right to previous increases of rent, but prevents the landlord from recovering increases withheld by tenants before December 1922.
In a speech at Mitcham, dealing with the Government's policy of housing, Mr. A. T. Griffith-Boscawen forebode the continuation of the present rent restriction on all classes of houses at present covered. In the meantime the Government and local authorities would jointly grant a subsidy to encourage building.

HOME FOOTBALL.

LEAGUE RESULTS.

LONDON, February 17th.
Following are the results in Saturday's League games. Home teams are listed first.

FIRST DIVISION:
Aston Villa... 0 Arsenal... 0
Liverpool... 3 Blackburn Rovers... 0
Tottenham... 2 Manchester City... 0
Barnsley... 2 Manchester City... 0
Nottingham Forest... 2 Cardiff City... 0
Middlesbrough... 2 Everton... 0
Preston N.E... 1 Huddersfield T... 0
Oldham... 0 Sunderland... 0
Sheffield U... 0 Birmingham... 1

SECOND DIVISION:
Aberdeen... 0 Partick Thistle... 1
Airdrieonians... 1 Dundee... 1
Clyde... 0 Morton... 0
Falkirk... 0 Celtic... 1
Hibernian... 2 Aberdeen... 0
Kilmarnock... 3 Hamilton Academical... 0
Motherwell... 1 St. Mirren... 1
Raith Rovers... 1 Albion Rovers... 1
Third Lanark... 3 Hearts... 1

OBITUARY.

MRS. L. ORMISTON CHANT.
LONDON, February 17th.
The death is announced of Mrs. Laura Ormiston Chant, well-known as a lecturer, or, particularly on social questions.

FRENCH EDITOR'S SENTENCE.

PARIS, February 17th.
Mr. Ernest Judet, co-editor of the "Petit Journal" and "L'Esclair", who was recently sentenced, in default of life imprisonment in a fortress, on a charge of communicating with the enemy during the War, has been brought to Paris. Mr. Judet invites a thorough examination of the charges.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND PASSENGERS.

VESSELS DUE.

FROM SWATOW & BANGKOK.

Mar. 5 - E. A. Banks.

FROM MANILA.

Mar. 2 - U.S.S.B. Elfrida.

22 - U.S.S.B. West Prospect.

FROM SINGAPORE.

Mar. 2 - U.S.S.B. Elfrida.

22 - U.S.S.B. West Prospect.

FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

Feb. 24 - O. A. Victoria.

Mar. 12 - E. A. Araduna.

Apr. 9 - E. A. St. Albans.

May 7 - E. A. Eastern.

FROM PORTLAND.

Feb. 20 - Col. P. S. Wawala.

Mar. 5 - U.S.S.B. Montego.

20 - U.S.S.B. West Jessup.

29 - U.S.S.B. West Jessup.

FROM NEW YORK.

Feb. 27 - F. R. Bellerophon.

Mar. 17 - D. & Co. Manchester Castle.

FROM VANCOUVER.

Mar. 11 - R. F. Tathylbus.

Apr. 19 - R. F. Protolius.

May 17 - R. F. Achilles.

June 7 - R. F. Tathylbus.

July 5 - R. F. Tyndarus.

FROM SEATTLE.

Mar. 11 - R. F. Tathylbus.

Apr. 19 - R. F. Protolius.

May 17 - R. F. Achilles.

July 5 - R. F. Tyndarus.

FROM LOS ANGELES.

Feb. 25 - U.S.S.B. West Ivan.

Mar. 18 - U.S.S.B. Deway.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO.

Feb. 25 - U.S.S.B. West Ivan.

Mar. 18 - U.S.S.B. Deway.

FROM EUROPEAN PORTS.

Feb. 24 - P. & O. Donaghai.

Mar. 7 - R. A. L. Rheinland.

10 - P. & O. Nankin.

15 - P. & O. Banks.

24 - P. & O. Kinnala.

Apr. 21 - P. & O. Kinnala.

25 - P. & O. Kashgar.

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FROM LIVERPOOL.

Feb. 20 - R. F. Acromonium.

Mar. 27 - R. F. Erybaton.

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7 - R. F. Doucalon.

10 - R. F. Polypheus.

12 - R. F. Ixion.

15 - R. F. Philoctetes.

27 - R. F. Persous.

31 - R. F. Mentor.

Apr. 8 - R. F. Mentor.

12 - R. F. Eurylochus.

14 - R. F. Eurylochus.

21 - R. F. Eurylochus.

28 - R. F. Eurylochus.

May 2 - R. F. Eurylochus.

10 - P. & O. Adrastra.

FROM ROTTERDAM.

Mar. 2 - B. F. Priam.

FROM COPENHAGEN.

Feb. 10 - E. A. Africa.

Mar. 10 - E. A. India.

Apr. 15 - E. A. Chile.

Apr. 15 - E. A. Malaya.

May 16 - E. A. Bolivia.

June 4 - E. A. Panama.

July 1 - E. A. Australia.

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"If I am speaking an untruth" may
I die without any issue," said a
Chinese at the Kuala Lumpur Court,
last week. This says the *Strait Echo*,
reminds us of the brutal murderer
who, having been tried and convicted
before Mr. Justice Maule and a jury,
was asked whether he had anything to
say why sentence should not be passed
upon him. "I didn't do it, me Lord!"

"I did may God strike me dead as I
stand!" There was silence in the
Court, as the Judge solemnly doctored
the black cap. Old Maule, looking at
the prisoner, paused for a minute, and
then, in his wheezy, asthmatical voice,
dryly observed: "Prisoner, as the bar,
I observe what you have to say, but
as Providence has not seen fit to in-
terfere, it now becomes my painful
duty to sentence you to death."

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INWARD MAILS.

FROM	PER
Haiphong	MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19.
Shanghai and Japan	TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20.
Shanghai and Japan	WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21.
EUROPE via Suez (Letters and Papers) London 15th	Jan. 1927
Australia and Manila	SATURDAY FEBRUARY 24.
Straits	Victoria
	Carl Legien

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR	PER	TIME
Wuchow and Samshu	MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19.	4.30 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan	TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20.	5 p.m.
Holbow and Haiphong	TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20.	8.30 a.m.
*Swatow and Bangkok	Yatohing	8.30 a.m.
Java via Sourabaya	Tijana	10 a.m.
Takao	Huoho Maru	10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Heiching	Noon.
Swatow	Fishang	5 p.m.
Tourane, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L.	Yangtsing	6 p.m.
Marques, South Africa, India via		
Dhanshodhi, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE		
via MARSEILLES—due Marseilles		
24th Mar. 1927. Fare 50th 5 p.m.		
On Wednesday 21st. Registration 11.15		
p.m. on Wednesday 21st. Letters 2 p.m. Rhiva		
Philippine Islands, "Sankadan AUSTRALIA		
and New Zealand via Thursday Island		
—due Thursday Island 8th Mar. Regis-		
tration 12.45 p.m. Letters 1.30 p.m.		
Straits, Bangkok, Calcutta and Aden	Taiyuan	4 p.m.
Samshu and Wuchow	Taining	4.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, United States		
Central & South America & EUROPE		
via VANCOUVER—due Vancouver		
15th Mar. Registration 9.15 a.m. Letters		
10 a.m.		
Straits, Bangkok, Calcutta and Aden	Empress of Russia	1 p.m.
Sankadan	Kinlung	2 p.m.
Java via Batavia	Mausang	2 p.m.
Philippine Islands	Tijana	10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Keelung	Yuenang	2 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Amakuta Maru	9 a.m.
	Haiphong	Noon.

HONGKONG TRADE.

PIECE GOODS MARKET
BETTER.

The fortnightly trade report
issued by the Hongkong General
Chamber of Commerce states:—
Cotton Piece Goods and Fancy
Cotton Goods.—During the last few
days complimentary sales of Greys
and Whites have been effected at
improved rates. There is a con-
siderable enquiry for Dyed and
Fancy Goods, and some sales of
Black Sateens are mentioned.
There is a much better feeling in
the market, which, let us hope, will
be justified.
Cotton Yarn.—The high price of
Raw material is keeping our market
steady to firm and small business
has been transacted at slightly ad-
vanced rates.
Quotations are:—No. 10s. 10s.
\$174/202. No. 12s. \$180/202.
No. 16s. \$195/216. No. 20s.
\$180/207. Arrivals 1,200. Ship-
ments 200. Sales 8,000 bales. Un-
sold stock 7,000 bales. Bargains
10,000 bales.

Woolens.—There is no change
in the market.

Raw Cottons.—There has been
no business in this commodity in
view of an entire absence of stocks.
Quotations are nominally:—Indian
descriptions at \$30/41. Chinese
staple at \$35/44.

Metals.—No change and no busi-
ness offering.

Flour Market Report.—Stock
about 350,000 sacks.

Quotations:—American Patents,
\$3.85 per sack; American Straight,
\$3.20 per sack; American Cut-off,
\$3.20 per sack; Shanghai Flour,
\$3.25 per sack; Australian No. 1,
\$3.25.

Window Glass.—Very few sales,
market steady.

The str. "Lycara" is bringing out
reliefs for British men-of-war, and
due about the middle of March. The
relieved officers and men will proceed
home in the same ship, leaving about
the middle of April. H.M.S. "Haw-
kins" is expected to be in Shanghai at
the time of the Lycara's arrival.

INTERPORT ROWING.

SHANGHAI TEAM CHOSEN.

PROBLEM OF BOATS.

The sporting members of the
community, and more especially
those who are interested in rowing,
will learn with interest and plea-
sure, says the *N. C. Daily News*,
that the Shanghai Rowing Club has
accepted the invitation of the Royal
Hongkong Yacht Club to participate
at an Interport and Inter-Club Regatta
at Hongkong on March 17, to be
held under the auspices of the
Royal Hongkong Yacht Club. In-
vitations to compete at this Regatta
were extended by Hongkong to
Singapore, Shanghai and Canton.
The Victoria Recreation Club of
Hongkong is also to be a partici-
pant.

The committee of the Shanghai
Rowing Club has selected the fol-
lowing six oarsmen to represent the
Club:—Messrs. H. J. Collar, J. B.
Brown, E. A. Ericson, C. Neprud,
E. S. J. Phillips, Jr., and F. W.
Schlobohm.

It is to be noted that these men
were selected from a list of only
nine oarsmen who stated they were
willing and able to go to Hongkong
if chosen. It is considered, how-
ever, that they provide excellent
material for Mr. D. M. Graham,
who has kindly agreed to undertake
their training and coaching, to work
on. Rigid training has already
been entered into, two crews having
been formed, stroked by E. A. Eric-
son and F. W. Schlobohm. The
club is fortunate in being able to
secure the services of Mr. Graham,
who has coached many another
crew to success, throughout his long
career in the Rowing Club.

It is hoped that the club will com-
pete in all the five open events E. A.
Ericson is the only sculler, and it
is quite probable that he will enter
for the sculling event. Shanghai
will follow the training of its re-
presentatives with interest, confident
that they will render a good account
of themselves at Hongkong on
March 17.

With the acceptance telegraphed
to the southern port, the local en-
thusiasts have begun training in
mid-season form. Rowing support-
ers consider the Club very fortunate
in that they have obtained the ser-
vices of Mr. D. M. Graham to put
the aspirants through a rigorous
training. He has been long con-
nected with the Rowing Club and
has been of valued assistance to the
crews for many years, coaching
numerous fours and eights to vic-
tory.

The selected men have worked
hard and faithfully during the past
week and are now out every after-
noon after office hours, staining
back and leg muscles to perfect the
form that wins races and makes
their efforts so beautiful to watch.
Mr. Graham is an ardent advocate
of the English style of rowing,
characterized by the fast start of
the stroke, a heavy body swing and
application of the weight—as the
arms are being drawn to the
chest. This differs somewhat from
the American fashion, which lays
more stress on the fast, snappy,
finishing swing, which so often
seems to pull the boat right out of
the water. All the candidates are
being taught the former, for uni-
formity of action by all members of
the boat must be had or the greatest
power will go to waste, virtually
pulling against itself. As Mr.
Graham says of his team:—"They
have the strength, they are in good
physical condition and need no
training down to weight, but the
individuals require welding into a
harmonious unit," and to this end
he is devoting all his efforts. They
realize that they will meet with
tougher opposition than the usual
fours meet in the Henli Regatta,
and concentrating upon this idea
firmly, they extend body and mind
to absorb unknown facts of the
sport.

A half-dozen men have been select-
ed of the small number who could
get away for the trip.—Messrs. H.
J. Collar, J. B. Brown, E. A.
Ericson, C. Neprud, E. S. J.
Phillips, Jr., and F. W. Schlo-
bohm. The latter quartette have
rowed together considerably on the
American eight and four, while the
first pair have represented Great
Britain. It was announced that
Mr. P. Schweizer, who has in the
past held the sculling cham-
pionship of Shanghai, will be
able to make the trip. This deci-
sion will greatly improve the
chances of the local men to bring
back the colours, for he is a finish-
ed oarsman, both light and active,
as well as neat and speedy. His
Continental training will stand him
in good stead. The crew is still of
a hazy nature, various combinations
having been tried for several days
at a time. Ericson at bow/Phillips
at 2; Neprud at 2; and Collar at
bow, has proved a good working
combination. Then, too, another of
Schlobohm at stroke/Phillips at 8;
Collar at 2; and Brown at bow,
worked well. Still another to be
tried is Collar, Phillips, Neprud and
Ericson. Phillips at 2 and Neprud
at 2 have a wonderful build for the
centre of the boat, their long arms
and backs making for that power
that wins gruelling races.

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